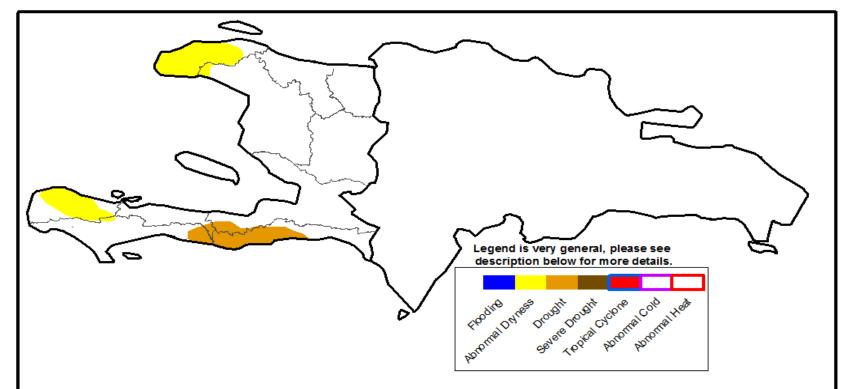


Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook August 22 – August 28, 2013

Some relief to dryness expected across southern Haiti during the next week.



During the last week, average to below average seasonal rainfall was observed throughout Hispaniola. In Haiti, the highest weekly precipitation totals (>50mm) were received across the central and northeast departments, with the lowest weekly amounts (<10mm) received in the northwest and Grand'Anse departments. While some local areas have received favorable and slightly above-average rainfall activity during the last two weeks, a larger suppression of seasonal rainfall since July has resulted in strengthening moisture deficits across many parts of the Nord-Ouest, Grand Anse, Sud, Nippes, Ouest and Sud-Est departments of Haiti. The worst dryness has continued throughout parts of the Sud and Sud-Est departments of southern Haiti, where very few days of rainfall have already negatively impacted cropping activities. For the next week, precipitation models indicate an enhancement of precipitation along the southern coastline of Hispaniola, with the potential for locally heavy rainfall to occur across the Ouest, Sud-Est, and Centre departments of Haiti. These rains may help to alleviate many local areas in the western Sud-Est department that have been affected with drought conditions.